

WCBS-TV Quarterly Issues/Program Report – July 10, 2018

Attached are the listings of broadcast segments and stories that reflect Channel 2's significant programming treatment of ascertained community issues during the preceding three-month period.

Time period of day, day of week, source and format descriptions follow the first appearance of the broadcast name. Date references refer to broadcast days. All times given are approximate.

Programs

CBS 2 News This Morning, CBS 2 News at Noon, CBS 2 News at 5:00, CBS 2 News at 6:00, CBS 2 News at 11:00, CBS 2 News Saturday, CBS 2 News Sunday - Regularly scheduled news broadcasts focusing on current issues and events.

60 Minutes - Regularly scheduled one-hour weekly broadcast featuring in-depth interviews and reports of various lengths and topics. Sunday, 7 - 8 p.m.

Face the Nation - Regularly scheduled half hour news broadcast featuring reports and interviews with government leaders, politicians, and international figures in the news. Sunday, 10:30 – 11 a.m.

48 Hours – Regularly scheduled news broadcast. Saturday, 10 - 11 p.m.

“Health Watch” – features of varying lengths focusing on health related issues, the latest in medical research and treatments, and other health related topics.

“Money Watch” – features of varying lengths focusing on the latest in the economy along with tips and ways to save money.

Public Service Announcements- WCBS-TV continues its tradition of airing and sponsoring PSAs. PSAs in rotation stem from various organizations such as, Project Roadblock – Drunk Driving Campaign, United Way, Teen Suicide Prevention, National Association of Broadcasters, New York State Broadcasters, Partnership for Drug Free Kids, March of Dimes, Project Yellow Light, Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, The Valerie Fund, Sisters for the Cure, A Safer City, The Make-A-Wish-Foundation of Metro New York, Food Bank NYC, New York City Department of Transportation Vision Zero, New Alternatives for Children, City Harvest, Texting and Driving, Ad Council.

Health: Topics in this category include: Two infected tourists with the Measles visited three facilities in Brooklyn, Patterson and Tuxedo Park urging citizens to be on alert; strains of E.coli were linked to romaine lettuce affected dozens of people throughout NY, NJ and CT and the flu is no longer prevalent in the state of New York after more than 18 thousand confirmed cases happened in one week during the flu season.

CBS 2 NEWS THIS MORNING: 4/13 Anchor Mary Calvi reports tick-borne infections such as Lyme disease have reached epidemic proportions on Long Island, most cases have been reported from Suffolk County. The high risk period for ticks begins in mid-May and runs through July. 4/20 Anchor Chris Wragge reports on strains of E.coli found in romaine lettuce which has affected dozens of people throughout New York, New Jersey and Connecticut. Federal Health Officials have linked E.coli to romaine lettuce and it continues to spread throughout states in the U.S. 4/23 Anchor Mary Calvi reports on concerns of Measles in the state of New York. The state health officials reported two infected tourists visited three Jehovah's Witnesses facilities last week located in the following cities Brooklyn, Patterson and Tuxedo Park. 5/18 Anchor Chris Wragge reports on an update from state health officials that the flu is no longer prevalent in New York. Flu season peaked in New York around February with more than 18 thousand confirmed cases in just one week but officials reported the number of cases have dropped to 460 last week. Overall, six children died and over 128 thousand cases of the flu were confirmed for the state of New York. **CBS 2 NEWS AT NOON:** 4/26 Anchor Mary Calvi reports on a deadly outbreak of Legionnaire's disease in the Bronx. The New York City Health Department is investigating the outbreak as three cases in the past year have been linked to the same co-op city complex which has resulted in one death. The disease was contracted from bacteria found in the water supply of three buildings. 5/11 Anchor Mary Calvi reports on the progress made in the fight against childhood lead poisoning and how it has seen a 13 percent decline in the number of children under the age of six with unsafe blood lead levels based on the Center for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines. Children under the age of six are especially vulnerable to lead poisoning. It can severely affect mental and physical development. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 5:00 PM:** 5/11 Anchor Maurice DuBois reports on a warning of the Measles for the state of New Jersey. The state health department reports two people with the disease recently visited several public places from a travel center off route 80 in Columbia, NJ, Newark airport and two locations in Englewood. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 6:00 PM:** 5/21 Anchor Dana Tyler reports the number of people with Lyme disease is the highest it's been in two decades in the state of New Jersey. **CBS 2 NEWS SUNDAY:** 5/13 Anchor Andrea Grymes reports on a Salmonella outbreak that stemmed from eggs and has sickened nearly three dozen people across nine states including New York and New Jersey. The outbreak has been traced to Rose Acre Farms in North Carolina.

Government and Politics: Topics in this category include: Senator Chuck Schumer is pushing to legalize marijuana; New York City day cares will be required to carry devices similar to EpiPen due to the death of a three-year-old who was given cheese and was severely allergic; Mayor de Blasio and NYC Council Speaker, Corey Johnson proposed a plan to provide a new gender category on birth certificates.

CBS 2 NEWS THIS MORNING: 6/5 Anchor Mary Calvi reports on the city board of health's consideration on a plan to provide a new gender category on birth certificates. In addition to male and female, there would be a third option x for non-binary gender identity. Mayor de Blasio and city council speaker Corey Johnson announced the proposal Monday. Johnson's plan calls for public hearings later this month. **CBS 2 NEWS AT NOON:** 4/11 Anchor Mary Calvi reports on a new audit launched by Nassau County's new comptroller which he hopes will tackle what he refers to as the county's culture of corruption. It is a nepotism and patronage audit to examine who is getting hired for government jobs. 4/20 Anchor Mary Calvi reports the federal government is cutting off housing payments for nearly a hundred families who were placed in New York City from Puerto Rico after losing their homes in Hurricane Maria. This comes days after a major power failure in Puerto Rico. 5/8 Anchor Mary Calvi reports lawmakers on Long Island are ready to vote on a controversial proposal for government workers in the city of Glen Cove. It involves whether the city can dictate what workers post on social media. 6/11 Anchor Mary Calvi reports Governor Cuomo is launching a new plan to boost awareness about mosquito borne diseases and how to avoid them this summer. Local health departments will get advisories including the best insect repellants to use. The goal is to protect New Yorkers from the West Nile and Zika viruses. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 5:00 PM:** 5/4 Anchor Maurice DuBois reports Mayor de Blasio is in support of a plan to open four supervised injection sites in the city where drug users can safely inject themselves. The sites would offer easy access to counseling and overdose medications. This plan is a controversial effort to combat fatal drug overdoses and has not been supported by Governor Cuomo or the state health department as of yet. 6/5 Anchor Maurice DuBois reports New York City day cares will be required to have devices such as the EpiPen on hand in case a child has an allergic reaction. . The health department approved a rule that states city regulated child cares sites must have two auto injections available and have at least one staff member who is trained to recognize the symptoms of an allergic reaction. The requirement stems from the death of a three-year-old in Harlem who was fed cheese and was highly allergic. 5/30 Anchor Kristine Johnson reports on the eighth day of deliberations for the jury at the corruption trial of former Nassau County Executive Ed Mangano and his wife. The judge replaced a juror and told the jury to start over due to drama in the jury room. Mangano is accused of taking bribes and kickbacks from restaurant owner Harendra Singh in exchange for government favors and a no show job for his wife, Linda.

CBS 2 NEWS AT 6:00 PM: 4/28 Anchor Dana Tyler reports on a new bill passed in the state of New York that raises the age minimum on tanning beds to 18. The current law bars anyone under the age of 16. Health officials state tanning beds expose individuals to ultraviolet radiation which can increase the risk of skin cancer. 6/14 Anchor Alice Gainer reports on the push to change the smoking law in the state of New York from 18 to 21. National health organizations are in favor of pushing the smoking age to 21 such as the American Cancer Society, the American Heart Association and the American Lung Association to name a few. Several areas including New York City, Nassau County and Westchester County have already raised the smoking age to 21. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 11:00 PM:** 4/20 Anchor Maurice DuBois reports Senator Chuck Schumer wants to legalize marijuana under federal law. Today, he announced that he'll introduce a bill taking marijuana off the federal list of controlled substances which would decriminalize its use. Under the measure, the federal government would still enforce laws against moving pot into states where it's illegal and regulate advertising to protect children. **CBS 2 NEWS SATURDAY:** 6/2 Andrea Grymes reports Governor Murphy has signed a new bill that helps protect New Jersey residents from surprise medical bills. The legislation limits the amount an out-of-network provider can charge, so patients are protected from financial disaster. One hundred sixty eight thousand residents reportedly receive out-of-network bills each year. The state is not only limiting those charges, but also requiring health care providers to alert patients of any out-of-network costs. This often happens during child birth. Advocates for hospitals and physicians opposed the reform. They insisted it would undermine their negotiating power with insurance companies and drive providers out of New Jersey to less regulated states.

Education: Topics in this category include: New York City's new Chancellor is tackling some hot button issues in his first weeks on the job; A nation-wide walk out by students from school in demand of stricter gun laws has the city's department of education taking a stiffer approach by marking students absent if they participate in the walk out.

CBS 2 NEWS THIS MORNING: 4/20 Anchor Chris Wragge reports on student walk outs across the nation in demand of stricter gun laws in the wake of the Parkland Florida school shooting. The city department of education is taking a stiffer approach by announcing students who walk out will be marked absent for the day. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 6:00 PM:** 4/11 Anchor Dana Tyler reports on the city's new Chancellor who is tackling some of the hot button issues facing the nation's education system from unequal education at Jewish religious schools to cafeteria food since being on the job for 10 days.

Consumer: Topics in this category include: American Airlines has banned animals from boarding their flights and is following up with doctors on passengers' notes allowing emotional support animals on their flights; Romaine lettuce has been linked to E.coli which has been linked to a farm in Yuma, Arizona and an app referred to as The Pill Club has been licensed in NY to send birth control to consumers without doctor or parental consent.

CBS 2 NEWS THIS MORNING: 5/15 Anchor Mary Calvi reports American Airlines has banned animals from boarding their flights. The airline announced it will start contacting health professionals to verify notes about animals being used as emotional support. There are new behavioral guidelines mandating animals be kept on a leash or harness throughout the flight. Some animals are being banned all together, among them are insects, goats and hedgehogs. The move stems from an increased number of passengers traveling with comfort animals in recent years. **CBS 2 NEWS AT NOON:** 5/17 Anchor Chris Wragge reports the romaine lettuce linked to the E.coli outbreak was traced from Yuma, Arizona as mentioned by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The lettuce is no longer being sold in stores shelves or being served in restaurants. One person died from the outbreak and 172 people across 32 states were sickened. As of now, the Center for Disease Control is no longer advising Americans to avoid eating romaine lettuce. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 5:00 PM:** 6/12 Anchor Maurice DuBois reports on a controversial app called The Pill Club which allows women to place orders for birth control without a prescription. Consumers can buy various forms of birth control and they don't have to see a doctor. Teenagers can even order through the app without parental permission. Thus far, The Pill Club only has a license to prescribe in New York and some doctors have expressed concerns of health risks.

Crime: Topics in this category include: An 81-year-old man was followed home and attacked in his apartment in Brooklyn; A blind man was robbed while trying to board a subway train and Harvey Weinstein is being investigated by the U.S. Attorney's office and if convicted he could face federal charges.

CBS 2 NEWS THIS MORNING: 5/12 Anchor Chris Wragge reports on a murder mystery out of Brooklyn where a grandmother was found tied up and shot multiple times. The victim was 62 years of age and police said she was found shot execution style.

CBS 2 NEWS AT NOON: 4/27 Anchor Chris Wragge reports the NYPD arrested a man wanted for a subway pushing incident at Union Square Station. The suspect is accused of shoving a man on the tracks while making derogatory comments about Hispanics. The attack is being investigated as a hate crime and the suspect has been charged with assault and aggravated harassment. 6/5 Anchor Mary Calvi reports on a possible bias attack on a 25-year-old male after the Queens Pride Parade. The victim claims two men attacked him and yelled anti-gay slurs at him and beat him to the ground. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 5:00 PM:** 5/15 Anchor Maurice DuBois reports on a heartless crime involving a blind man trying to navigate a busy subway station. The victim was robbed of his wallet and police are still searching for the suspect. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 6:00 PM:** 4/27 Anchor Dana Tyler reports on a police investigation involving a woman who was found murdered and the suspect is a guy she was dating. Sources told CBS 2 the couple had been dating for about two months and neighbors said they never suspected trouble. 5/9 Anchor Dana Tyler reports on an investigation by the NYPD on an alleged hate crime against a young Jewish boy in Queens who was viciously attacked because of his faith. **CBS 2 NEWS AT 11:00 PM:** 5/24 Anchor Kristine Johnson reports on the criminal investigation on Harvey Weinstein conducted by the U.S. Attorney's office in Manhattan. Weinstein could face federal charges if there is evidence he lured or transported women across state lines to commit a sex crime. **CBS 2 NEWS SUNDAY:** 5/27 Anchor Jessica Moore reports on an attack of an 81-year-old man who was followed home then hit over the head inside his apartment in Brooklyn. A suspect was caught on camera near the crime scene. Police said the suspect used some sort of burnt object to strike the victim.